

# CCC ON REFUGES

**LOCATION:** Medicine Lake National Wildlife Refuge, MT

**DATES:** Established as a National Wildlife Refuge in 1935 to provide breeding habitat for migratory birds and other wildlife. CCC present from 1937 to 1941.

**ACTIVITIES:** The CCC hauled dirt to construct artificial nesting islands in the lakes and built overflow spillways, bridges, recreational areas, shelters, a hundred-foot-tall lookout tower, equipment sheds, truck trails, and garages. They also planted trees and shrubs and sowed more than eighty acres of aquatic food and cover plants



CCC boys digging, late 1930s, from Fish and Wildlife Service.